

\$32,000 OF PLEDGES PAID

More Than One-Half of Campaign Fund in Y. M. C. A. Treasury.

A deficit of \$1,124 for the running expenses of the Officers-Elected at Annual Meeting.

The 42nd annual meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association was held Monday night at the association building, seventy-five people being in attendance. The meeting began at 8:30 o'clock with a supper, served by the Woman's Auxiliary, followed by a business meeting, with the annual reports of the secretary, treasurer and chairman of the board of trustees.

BUILDING FUND.

The report of the trustees of the Y. M. C. A. on the building fund was as follows: Total number of subscriptions, 1,380; total amount of subscriptions, \$35,000; total expenses of the campaign, \$3,000; bonded indebtedness June 1, 1907, \$30,000; other indebtedness June 1, 1907, \$3,000; total indebtedness, \$33,000; amount of pledges paid to date, \$32,000; amount on pledges applied on indebtedness as follows: Expenses of campaign, \$3,000; bonds and interest paid, \$28,000; other indebtedness paid, \$2,000; repairs to roof and other expenses, \$500; cash on hand, \$2,000; total, \$32,000.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The treasurer's report for the year ending April 10 was as follows:

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, April 10, 1907, \$10,441; contributions, \$2,750; office expenses, \$45,300; executive department, \$25,000; water, \$18,800; lights, \$30,750; religious work, \$2,875; educational department, \$3,500; physical department, \$3,000; social department, \$3,000; boys' department, \$14,330; membership department, \$1,400; old bills, \$1,000; interest, \$1,000; insurance, \$2,400; sundries, \$1,000; on hand, \$2,400; total, \$41,250. Unpaid bills amount to \$1,124.

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COMMITTEES' REPORTS.

The reports of the various committees for the past year showed every department of the association to be in excellent condition. The executive committee gave a review of the State convention and also of the 20-day campaign for the raising of \$35,000. The study classes have also been fitted up during the past year under the direction of this committee.

The religious work report for the year showed a total of 51 Sunday meetings, with an attendance of 2,733. A week of prayer was observed and a foreign work conference held with Rev. T. Colton of the International committee. Bible study classes ran two months longer the past year than ever before. The study classes opened with the annual rally day and four classes have held 52 sessions during the year, with an attendance of 2,733. Special leaders' class reports were given weekly with an attendance of 78 and special societies have been held for the students of the Bible study classes.

The physical department reported 30 classes held with an attendance of 8,138. Individual work was given to two boys over 1600 yards were taken during the year. Over 150 physical examinations were given, making the total number who used the gymnasium privileges 17,235. Special leaders' class reports were given weekly and athletic meets were also held. A basketball team was organized and a swimming class was held in which 25 boys learned to swim. A city base ball league was also formed. This department had charge of the Fourth of July celebration at Elgin Allen Park.

Special services numbering 25 were held, with an attendance of 1,529. The purchasing of the paid table was also reported by this committee, who further reported that the buying of the table was one of the best things done by the association and has met with the most satisfactory results.

The educational committee reported a course of seven lectures and concerts, and an educational conference with G. E. Hodge of the International committee, also the formation of a male chorus under the direction of George H. Wilder, with an attendance of 40.

Boys' work for the past year was extensive. Aside from the Sunday meetings, gymnasium classes and Bible classes already reported, there were 26 social events with an attendance of 1,083. There were 15 cross-country trips, a total of 194 members participating. Thirteen committee meetings were held and two boys' camps were held, one in October at Starr Farm Pond and one in July at Silver Lake.

The membership report showed a total of 19 new members during the past year, with a present membership of 712. The first "one club" has 52 members and will hold its annual banquet on April 22.

The secretary's department gave a general review of the work of the association and the work of each committee. Ninety-six committee meetings were held. 11 situations were accepted and 51 strangers located in suitable boarding places. Two hundred strangers were also assisted in other special ways. The association rooms were used 40 times by outside societies.

The Woman's Auxiliary held 16 social afternoon, with five addresses and six banquets. This organization also served the annual Grand Army dinner and served supper every night during the building campaign, besides pledging \$1,000 to the fund, \$500 of which has been paid.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Following the reading of the committee reports, the following officers were elected: President, F. S. Retan; vice-president, Prof. A. D. Butterfield; secretary, S. L. Plafie; treasurer, C. P. Cowles; directors, W. J. Van Patten, Dr. F. E. Clark, Rev. E. M. Fuller, A. J.

"IN A BAD WAY"

Many a Burlington Reader Will Feel Grateful for This Information.

When your back gives out, becomes lame, weak or aching; when urinary troubles set in, your kidneys are "in a bad way." Doan's Kidney Pills will cure you. There is local evidence to prove it.

Mrs. John Baker, of 59 Elm St., Burlington, Vt., says: "A short time ago my daughter had a severe attack of kidney trouble while visiting me. Her back ached and she could not sleep. She was unable to get well at night and other symptoms showed that her kidneys were at fault. Knowing the virtues of Doan's Kidney Pills I sent to the Park drug store and got her a box. They gave her prompt relief and it was not long before her back was better and stronger and all signs of kidney trouble had disappeared."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-McIlburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

E. Clement and W. E. Burr. Some changes were made in the by-laws for the purpose of bringing them up to date to cover the working plans of the association with reference to classes of membership and the committee work of the association. A committee was appointed to prepare plans for the association anniversary.

If a person could always know just what the trouble was when they began to feel sick and "out of sorts" and also know what to do to get well quick there would be no loss of sickness. There are thousands of people who suffer from Catarrh of the Bladder who do not know that they possess several little pills that lead from the Liver and Gall bladder and carry bile and other fluids into the intestines. When these fluids get clogged with mucus the owner will begin to get ill and have all kinds of troubles, ordinary and extraordinary, and will find it difficult to relieve this condition. There is a remedy however, made especially for the trouble. Rydale's Liver Tablets—a prescription of a specialist. One case convalesces. Write for free sample. Rydale Remedy Co., New York, N. Y., distributed by J. W. O'Sullivan, Burlington, Stanley & Eatey, Winchell.

JAIL COMPANY SUE.

Adalard Martell, a Former Employee, Claims Negligence on Their Part. Papers were served Thursday afternoon in an action of negligence brought by Adalard Martell against the Jail Company, contractors who are erecting the new county jail on Main street, to recover damages of \$5,000 for injuries received while the plaintiff was employed in tearing down the old jail last fall. The suit is returnable at the September term of Chittenden county court. Several in the case was made on Martin S. Vilas, resident attorney and agent for the Jail Company. The plaintiff is represented by John J. Enright and R. E. Brown.

The declaration sets up that while the plaintiff was working for the defendant company on September 5, 1907, he was in close proximity to a wall which was being torn down. No rules had been promulgated and conformed to, by which he could be warned of impending danger, no such warning was given, the place in which he was working was unsafe and, in consequence, heavy stones and other materials were hurled down against and upon him, bruising and injuring him, particularly his right ankle, the bones and ligaments of which were broken and destroyed.

The plaintiff further declares that he has been obliged to expend \$500 in an effort to get relief from his injuries and that he is permanently injured for life in that he cannot use his right foot in walking or working, that he is always liable to walk with crutches and is so greatly hindered in earning his living.

EASTER EXCURSION TO NEW YORK.

Greatly reduced fares via the Central Vermont railway, April 11, 1908. Vermont of two routes, all rail via Springfield, or via New London and steamer. Tickets good to return from New York up to and including April 27. This is the most favorable time to visit New York. See hand bills for particulars.

AN AMUSEMENT PARK.

Coney Island Attractions to Be Installed on the Shelburne Road. Robert Bourne, acting as a syndicate of promoters, has leased through J. J. Flynn and R. J. White, trustees of the estate of J. S. Pierson, about 25 acres of land on the Shelburne road, just south of the golf grounds and will in the property in an amusement park. About eight acres along the banks of Putnam brook are to be flooded by the construction of a dam near the point where the stream crosses Shelburne road, thus forming an artificial lake with an average depth of five feet. Boats from a chute-the chutes will drop into the pond, which will be the first of a series of slides, the last of which will be a large one with a floor 50 by 70 feet in size, a theatre where vaudeville performances lasting an hour may be seen for five cents; a triplicate of fun makers including a roller skater, jump the bumps and the spiral chute, which have for years been among the chief attractions at Luna Park, Coney Island; a penny arcade, with picture machines and hall of funny mirrors; and a tent, much resembling a circus ring, where children can ride ponies and watch the antics of a clever clown. The remaining space, including the heavy woods, will contain swings and seats. Contracts for the construction of the buildings call for their completion May 15.

VERMONT NOTES

Over a foot of snow still remains in the woods on the Mendon mountains.

Vermont has 324 rural delivery routes, covering 7,622 miles of roads, 72 miles of which are unimproved.

Fred Berry of Richmond has made four pounds of maple sugar to a tree this season.

Shooting robins for some bird stew cost Louis Salomon, a Canadian, a \$1 fine last week.

The Richmond underwear factory is turning a full force full time and has an abundance of orders ahead.

Fred G. Robinson of Rutland has been appointed deputy clerk of United States courts for the district of Vermont.

Memorial day centers announced are: Haverhill, at Chester at Grayton and Sherman Evans or Windsor at Windmill.

A western mail Saturday lifted the roof from J. H. Jones's dry goods store at Woodstock and dropped it in the yard at the rear of the block.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Alford of Castleton, aged 37 and 32 respectively, have been married 34 years, September 2, 1874, being their wedding day.

New buildings in White River Junction, it is thought by the farmers, will be the worst, the ground and the town of Hartford \$2,000.

The Bellows Falls library committee has paid \$5,000 for a site for the building, which Andrew Carnegie has donated \$10,000.

The spring crop of lands in the town of Woodstock numbers 120, a healthy but wholly about the average.

In Rutland county court Thursday, 14 divorces were granted out of 15 petitioned for at the March term. All the petitioners were one woman. Court took a recess until April 27.

The Boston & Maine railroad shops at Lyndonville began last week running double the time they have been on since the first of February. Now the schedule is six station days a week.

About the earliest road work of the year is reported from Bennington center where Commissioner John Seely had his men started nicely when rain Wednesday stopped operations.

An unknown tramp, sending a ride was killed when nine freight cars were wrecked on the Boston & Maine railroad near East River Thursday night. His companion escaped although injured.

West Rutland citizens have protested to the State board of health at the action of school commissioners in placing a cesspool in front of the school building close to the street. Pollution of drinking water is feared.

What is likely the latest married couple in the State is Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Curtis of Barre who were married February 7, 1880. Mr. Curtis was born in Barre 22 years ago, April 17 and Mrs. Curtis is four years his junior.

The Rutland county school directors have organized with these officers: President, W. P. Abbott of Proctor; vice-president, W. F. Walker of Fair Haven; secretary and treasurer, Dr. O. C. Baker of Rutland.

Residents of Brattleboro are trying to explain to themselves why it costs 13 cents more to go to Boston than it does to come home. The fare back via Greenfield is \$2.12 and the fare going the same way is \$2.25.

Fire from an unknown cause destroyed the S. C. Lyons cafe works at Bennington Saturday afternoon. The building was burned to the ground but the drying machine, some tools and a quantity of dynamite were saved.

Prin. H. J. Stannard of Barton Academy conducted 46 members of the civics class to Newport Saturday for a tour of the various county offices at the court house. The students were also shown about the United States custom house in Collector C. S. Emery.

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The newspaper publishers of Franklin county were entertained by Carl C. Fletcher of the Swanton Courier at dinner at the American House in St. Albans Saturday. The guests were: M. E. Maloney of the Rutland Gazette, P. M. Rose of the Keesebrouck Falls Standard, and Nelson E. LeClerc of the St. Albans Messenger and Frank L. Greene, editor of the latter paper.

A number of kinds of work now cost more in Barre shops following the winning of a strike for higher wages by the men behind the chairs. Hair trimming and shampooing have been raised from 10 cents and hair tonics from 5 cents to 15 cents. The barber will be charged for trimming mustaches, shampooing the face after shaving or applying any lotion other than what he uses.

The State is plunged into another controversy by a claim from St. Johnsbury that Chamberlain Post of that place was the youngest Vermont veteran of the

Civil War in C. A. Heyer, aged 30 years, who enlisted at the age of 15 years. Henry Williams of Rutland figures that if Mr. Heyer was born in 1878 he did not enlist until sometime in 1894. Mr. Williams was born in 1847 and entered the service at the age of 15 in 1862 for three years' enlistment.

William Abner Hopkins of Dinard, France, having with the cross of the Legion of Honor by the mayor of Dinard, is a native of Brattleboro, a son of Weston Hopkins of Chesterfield, who formerly kept a grocery store there, and the family home in Brattleboro was where the house of L. H. Richardson now stands. William Hopkins founded the Dinard hospital, the American Relief society in Paris and the Matin, a French journal, which he controlled many years.

The claim of Mr. and Mrs. Horace G. Bateman of Rutland to the State championship which 20 years of married life to their credit is overturned by Mr. and Mrs. Ira Hatchelder of Plainfield who were married in June, 1884, nearly 24 years ago. Mr. Hatchelder is especially active and vigorous at the age of 35 years but finds, while otherwise as active as 20 years ago, that he "trunkers out" quicker. Mrs. Hatchelder, who does not walk much now, is 29 years old.

A bold but unsuccessful attempt to saw his way out of Waltham county jail was made by Martin Manning of Bellows Falls at Newburgh Thursday night. Manning, who was serving sentence for intoxication, tried to induce the other prisoners to join in breaking out and one of these men told him somebody carried a back-saw in to Manning, the broken pieces being found in a toilet room while two bars in a side window in the main jail had been sawed off.

PEOPLES ACADEMY SCHEDULE. People's Academy of Montpelier expects to have a strong team ball team this season. The battery will consist of Woodley, Co. pitcher and Kaxmors, of last season's Jeffersonville team, catcher. Following is the schedule, games to be played at Montpelier unless otherwise specified: April 25, Brigham Academy; April 26, People's Free Academy; May 2, St. Albans; May 3, St. Albans; May 4, St. Albans; May 5, St. Albans; May 6, St. Albans; May 7, St. Albans; May 8, St. Albans; May 9, St. Albans; May 10, St. Albans; May 11, St. Albans; May 12, St. Albans; May 13, St. Albans; May 14, St. Albans; May 15, St. Albans; May 16, St. Albans; May 17, St. Albans; May 18, St. Albans; May 19, St. Albans; May 20, St. Albans; May 21, St. Albans; May 22, St. Albans; May 23, St. Albans; May 24, St. Albans; May 25, St. Albans; May 26, St. Albans; May 27, St. Albans; May 28, St. Albans; May 29, St. Albans; May 30, St. Albans; May 31, St. Albans; June 1, St. Albans; June 2, St. Albans; June 3, St. Albans; June 4, St. Albans; June 5, St. Albans; June 6, St. Albans; June 7, St. Albans; June 8, St. Albans; June 9, St. Albans; June 10, St. Albans; June 11, St. Albans; June 12, St. Albans; June 13, St. Albans; 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STATE Y. M. C. A. Program of Convention in Bennington May 1-3.

The annual State convention of the Y. M. C. A. will be held at Bennington in the new association building May 1-3 with the following program:

FRIDAY AFTERNOON MAY 1. Prizes service. Meeting called to order by president or vice-president last convention, or by Chairman Boxworth. Appointing temporary secretary. Appointing nominating committee. Address by Rev. C. Waldo Cherry of Troy, N. Y. Report of nominating committee. Appointing of committees. Three minutes written reports from associations. Banquet.

Report of State committee. (1) General—Mr. Boxworth. (2) Finance—Mr. North. (3) Referring to committee on State committee report.

Introduction of toastmaster—Mr. J. C. Colgate. Toastmaster's speech. "The Older Young Men," Hon. J. G. McLaughlin. "How the Y. M. C. A. Can Supplement the Public Schools," Mason S. Stone. "A Gene Concern—The Association without Boy's Work," R. A. Waite, Jr. "The Y. M. C. A.—A Going Concern," W. Knowles Cooper.

SATURDAY. Devotional meeting. Address by R. A. Waite, Jr. Topic: "The Association as An Opportunity for Christian Laymen," F. S. Retan. Discussion. Business: (1) Report of committee on State committee's report. (2) Adoption of constitution. (3) "Association Men" and "Vermont Association Notes."

Devotional and address, R. A. Waite, Jr. Topic: "What the Board of Directors Have a Right to Expect of the Secretary." Discussion. Topic and discussion, "What the Secretary Has a Right to Expect of the Board of Directors and Committee." H. P. Lansdale. Annual meeting of State committee.

PUBLIC MEETING. Prizes service. "New Grounds under the Association and How They Are to Be Met." (a) At home, W. Knowles Cooper. (b) Abroad, Robert E. Lewis.

SUNDAY. "Quiet Hour" for delegates and members Bennington association, R. A. Waite, Jr. Church services. 1st Congregational, W. Knowles Cooper. 2nd Congregational—John F. Moore, Baptist, H. P. Lansdale. Methodist, R. E. Lewis. Men's meeting, John F. Moore. Women's meeting, W. S. Coleman. Boys' meeting, R. A. Waite, Jr. In the Congregational Church, R. E. Lewis or J. F. Moore. Report of committees: (1) Credentials. (2) Resolutions. Farewell service, conducted by State secretary. Adjournment.

VERMONTERS ON FLEET. Green Mountain State Boys Going Around the World.

Vermont has 22 men who made the trip as enlisted men with Rear Admiral Evans's North Atlantic squadron from Atlantic to Pacific waters and who are likely to continue on the trip around the world, unless something happens. Burlington is represented in the list most completely by the bureau of navigation of the navy department by Walter P. Fennell, a coal passer on the Minnesota. The other Vermonters are as follows: William W. Whitehead, a seaman on the New Jersey; Aaron A. Carey, coal passer on the Illinois; Burton, Tarrant, a coal passer on the Oregon; Henry H. Stevens, ordinary seaman on the Kentucky; postoffice box 106, Brandon; Leon E. Andrews, engineer, second class on the Rhode Island; and Fred Hennecke, engineer, third class on the Georgia. Brattleboro: Robert H. Danforth, coal passer on the Illinois; Captain Harry Parker, machinist's mate, second class on the Georgia; Castleton: George E. Mullen, fireman, second class on the New Jersey; Chester: Earl G. Stevens, ordinary seaman on the Vermont; Danby: Simon S. Lathrop, ordinary seaman on the Illinois; Hartford: Irving M. Page, machinist's mate, second class on the Alabama; Grafton: Thomas Hallinan, seaman on the Maine; Johnson: Elias H. King, ordinary seaman on the Rhode Island; Middlebury: Arthur Elkov, engineer, third class on the Rhode Island; 209 West street, Rutland; George H. Kruse, coal passer on the Kentucky; 25 Madison street, Rutland; Donald B. Cory, engineer, second class on the Kentucky; Saxton's River: George A. Howard, shipwright on the Virginia; Springfield: Harry S. Bolton, coal passer on the Georgia; South Stafford: John E. Carroll, seaman on the Panther; Whiting: Cornelius C. Kane, chief machinist's mate on the Panther; Wilmington.

APPROPRIATED IN FRANCE. The Le Napoleon Building, situated on a wharf beside the Seine River, Paris, France, was recently roofed with our Compuhider roofing. Samples free. Strong Hardware Co., Burlington, Vt.

CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS. To the Editor of the Free Press: Will you kindly permit me to correct a statement in last week's Free Press in relation to the Protestant churches of Burlington and Danbury? The six Protestant evangelical churches, according to latest available figures, having 238 members, contributed \$2,300 toward the local expenses, in addition to which 74 of which \$7.47 was contributed to home missions and local benevolences, and \$2,615 was given to foreign missions. Perhaps it will be fair to say that the local benevolences include only such as the county hospital, the county church, agencies and do not include private subscriptions to the Y. M. C. A., Salvation Army, hospitals, etc.

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The newspaper publishers of Franklin county were entertained by Carl C. Fletcher of the Swanton Courier at dinner at the American House in St. Albans Saturday. The guests were: M. E. Maloney of the Rutland Gazette, P. M. Rose of the Keesebrouck Falls Standard, and Nelson E. LeClerc of the St. Albans Messenger and Frank L. Greene, editor of the latter paper.

A number of kinds of work now cost more in Barre shops following the winning of a strike for higher wages by the men behind the chairs. Hair trimming and shampooing have been raised from 10 cents and hair tonics from 5 cents to 15 cents. The barber will be charged for trimming mustaches, shampooing the face after shaving or applying any lotion other than what he uses.